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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office action of March 10, 2005. Applicant elects Species A, a water heater and control method wherein the control is based on a ratio of maximum amount of fuel. Claims 1-17, 18-62, and 103-127 read on the elected species and claims 1-17 are generic.

An action on merits of claims 1-17, 18-62, and 103-127 is respectfully requested.

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